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SUBJECT: THAI FOREIGN MINISTER [REDACTED]

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REF: BANGKOK 5119

CLASSIFIED BY: AMBASSADOR DARRYL N. JOHNSON, REASON 1.5(B) (D)

1. (C) SUMMARY: IN A WIDE-RANGING CONVERSATION ON AUGUST 20, FOREIGN MINISTER SURAKIART SATHIRATHAI PLEDGED UNQUALIFIED THAI SUPPORT FOR US EFFORTS IN THE GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM FOLLOWING THE THAI APPREHENSION OF INDONESIAN TERRORIST HAMBALI THE PREVIOUS WEEK. ON OTHER TOPICS, HE

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2. (C) THE FM'S MAIN MESSAGE, HOWEVER, WAS [REDACTED]

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REVIEW AUTHORITY: SHARON E AHMAD

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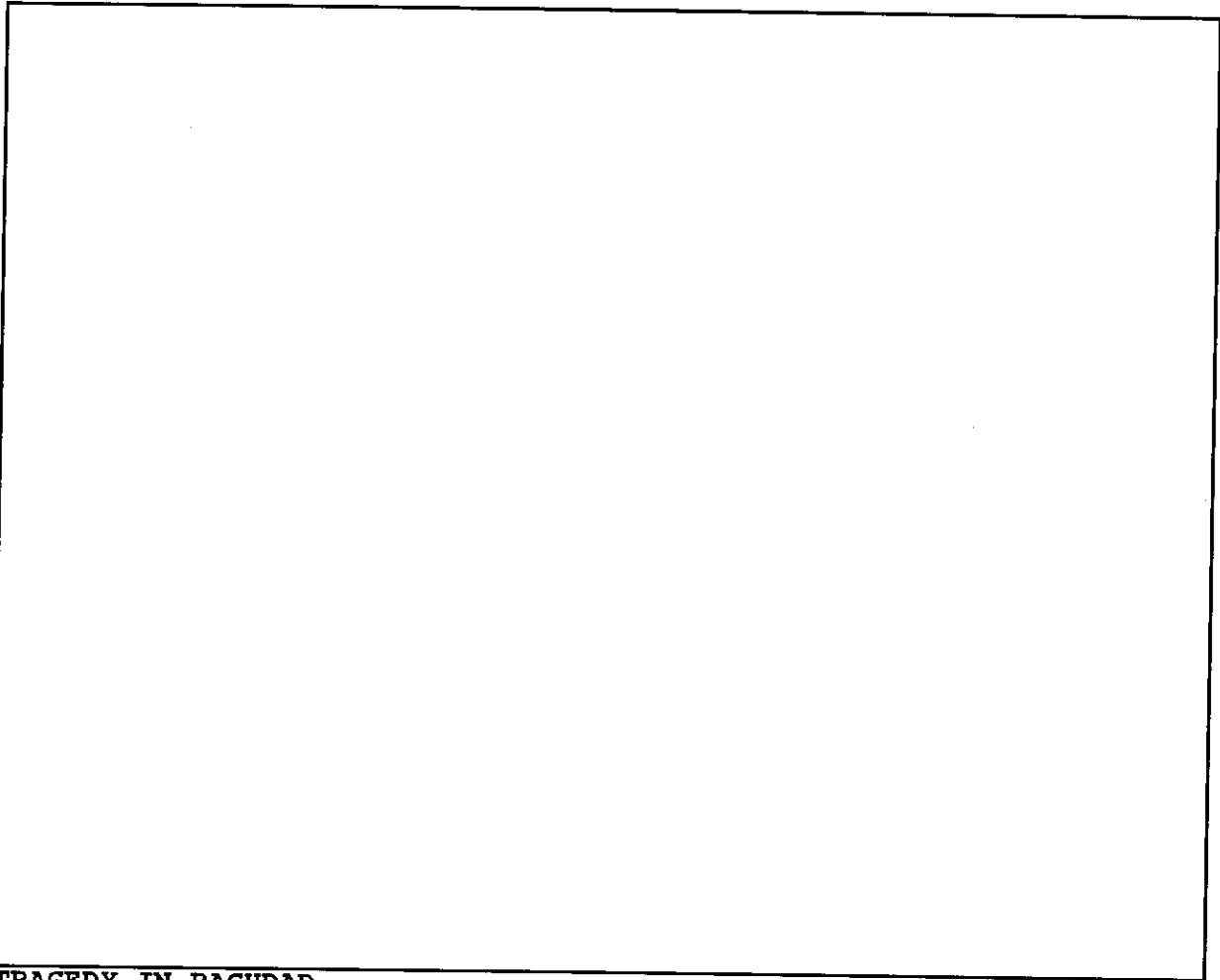
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THAI-US RELATIONS IN GOOD SHAPE



TRAGEDY IN BAGHDAD

5. (C) EARLIER IN THE CONVERSATION, THE FM AND I HAD

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EXPRESSED OUR SHOCK AND OUTRAGE AT THE BOMBING OF THE UN HEADQUARTERS IN BAGHDAD, AND THE DEATH OF THE UN SECRETARY GENERAL'S SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE, SERGIO VIEIRA DE MELLO.

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THAI DEPLOYMENT ON SCHEDULE

6. (C) REGARDING THE THAI DECISION TO DEPLOY ARMY ENGINEERS AND SUPPORT FORCES TO IRAQ, THE MINISTER SAID THAT THE

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